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DEPT FOR ST MARS AND FISCHER FROM OIC/RTC

KUALA LUMPUR FOR RSO PASS RSS KNAUF

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ASEC

SUBJ: RTC DISPERSAL

REF: HONG KONG 3426, HONG KONG 3788, STATE 090560 (NOTAL)

1. ON APRIL 16 RTC RECEIVED TMFOUR FOR TSO JULES BEAUDOIN REQUIRING THAT HE ARRIVE AT HIS NEW POST OF ASSIGNMENT IN BANGKOK DURING APRIL. OC APPRECIATES DEPARTMENT'S POSITION IN DESIRING EXPEDITIOUS DISMANTLING OF RTC BUT BELIEVES THAT SY WILL ALSO AGREE THAT SMOOTH, ORGANIZED TRANSITION IS HIGHLY DESIRABLE. THEREFORE, AM EXTREMELY CONCERNED ABOUT UNTIMELY AND ABRUPT TRANSFER IN VIEW OF RSS/OIC REQUEST IN REFTEL 3426, PARA 1 (6) (A) THAT BEAUDOIN AND SEABEE ROUSE NOT BE TRANSFERRED UNTIL ADVISED OF THEIR AVAILABILITY.

2. AT THE PRESENT TIME RTC MANPOWER AND COMMITMENTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

SEABEE HARRINGTON: DEPARTED FOR CONUS ON APRIL 16.

SEABEE PENDLETON: TDY BANGKOK APRIL 13-21. OIC AND CPOIC

HAVE REQUESTED THAT NSU PROVIDE AN EARLY

MID-JUNE TRANSFER INSTEAD OF AUGUST.

TSO HACKL: TRANSFER TO MANILA ON APRIL 29

TSO BEAUDOIN AND

SEABEE ROUSE: TAIPEI APRIL 19-24 AT RSO SPECIAL REQUEST.

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SEABEE ROUSE: MANILA APRIL 24-27

3. ALTHOUGH AN INITIAL SHIPMENT OF CRATING AND PACKING MATERIAL ARRIVED ON APRIL 15, A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF WORK STILL REMAINS TO BE DONE. THEREFORE, IT IS REQUESTED THAT THE DEPARTMENT RECONSIDER BEAUDOIN'S APRIL TRANSFER. AS A PLANNED PHASE-OUT, IT WOULD BE PREFERABLE THAT HE LEAVE BEFORE MID-JUNE. THE DEPARTMENT'S FAVORABLE RECONSIDERATION TO OIC'S REQUEST WILL BE APPRECIATED.

4. WISH TO REITERATE THAT POST IS STILL SYMPATHIC TO PHASE-OUT PROBLEMS AND HAS REASSURED OIC THAT NO PROBLEMS WILL BE ENCOUNTERED IF BEAUDOIN AND ROUSE REMAIN AT POST UNTIL JUNE.
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